

## Virginia Public Assistance Fund

### DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

To promote self-reliance and protection for James City County residents through the provision of community based services.

### GOALS

1. **Child Protective Services:** To expand prevention efforts and promote family preservation.
2. **Benefits Program:** To provide financial assistance to eligible residents.
3. **Adult Services:** To maintain the elderly and disabled in the community through the provision of support services.

### BUDGET SUMMARY

	<u>FY 01 Adopted</u>	<u>FY 02 Adopted Plan</u>	<u>FY 02 Adopted</u>
<u>Revenues:</u>			
From Federal/State	\$ 2,793,610	\$ 2,918,258	\$ 2,917,098
General Fund	861,191	1,031,203	1,016,890
Fund Balance	180,000	130,000	130,000
Grant	13,828	13,828	14,988
Local Share Comprehensive	66,856	66,856	66,856
State Share Comprehensive	87,025	87,025	87,025
Schools Comprehensive Services	<u>87,025</u>	<u>87,025</u>	<u>87,025</u>
Total	\$ <u>4,089,535</u>	\$ <u>4,334,195</u>	\$ <u>4,319,882</u>
<u>Expenditures:</u>			
Administration	\$ 2,446,238	\$ 2,690,898	\$ 2,620,458
Public Assistance	661,103	661,103	641,222
Purchased Services	703,767	703,767	774,615
Comprehensive Services Act	153,881	153,881	153,881
Local Non-Reimbursable	19,400	19,400	23,400
Grant Programs	18,121	18,121	19,281
Comprehensive Services – Schools	<u>87,025</u>	<u>87,025</u>	<u>87,025</u>
Total	\$ <u>4,089,535</u>	\$ <u>4,334,195</u>	\$ <u>4,319,882</u>
Local Funding	\$ <u>1,108,047</u>	\$ <u>1,228,059</u>	\$ <u>1,213,746</u>

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### ***AUTHORIZED POSITIONS***

	<u>FY 01 Adopted</u>	<u>FY 02 Adopted Plan</u>	<u>FY 02 Adopted</u>
<u>Full-time Permanent:</u>			
Social Services Director	1	1	1
Social Work Supervisor	5	5	5
Chief of Services	1	1	1
Chief of Eligibility	1	1	1
Eligibility Supervisor	2	2	2
Social Worker	12	12	12
Case Aide	4	4	4
Administrative Secretary	1	1	2
Account Clerk II	1	1	1
Senior Office Assistant	2	2	2
Senior Eligibility Worker	1	1	1
Eligibility Worker	8	8	8
Fiscal Specialist	1	1	0
Fiscal Specialist Assistant	1	1	0
Budget Management Specialist	0	0	1
Senior Account Clerk	0	0	1
Automated Systems Specialist	1	1	1
Secretary	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
	43	43	43
<u>Full-time Limited Term:</u>			
Social Worker	1.5*	1.5*	1.5*
Case Aide	1	1	1
Revenue Maximization Coordinator	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	3.5	3.5	3.5
Total Full-Time	46.5	46.5	46.5
<u>Part-time Permanent:</u>			
Senior Office Assistant (832 hours)	1	1	1
Social Worker (1,040 hours each)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	2	2	2
<u>Part-time Temporary:</u>			
Fuel Assistance Worker (640 hours)	1	1	1

\*Position shared with Community Development.

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### ***BUDGET COMMENTS***

The Social Services budget reflects goals and objectives identified in Goal 4 of the County's Strategic Plan: "Promoting a Healthy Community." Top priorities in the budget include supporting children in foster care. James City County was ranked first in the State for founded incidences of child abuse and neglect. Services to an ever-increasing elderly population are also a priority. A focus on prevention will continue for children, the elderly, and the disabled. Services to at-risk youth will be expanded in order to prevent costly placements. Finding avenues to address the high use of cocaine will be explored as a clear link has been identified between drugs and a significant increase in demand for services, such as those ordered by the Court. An aggressive Welfare Fraud Program will also be expanded.

Administrative expenses include compensation that supports the Market-Based Pay System and an expansion of programs related to the Foster and Child Care. The Cost of the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Youth remains stable and a interagency regional community policy and management team meets monthly and explores cost-effective service delivery. These funds are used only for children in foster care.

Other direct services provided by Social Services include Investigation of child abuse and neglect, home evaluations and custody mediation for the court, recruitment and training of foster parents, family preservation and support services, child care, parent education and training, job assistance, investigation of adult abuse and neglect, nursing home screenings, and services to the elderly and disabled.

Financial Programs include Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, Medicaid, Food Stamps, Auxiliary Grants, State and Local Hospitalization, Fuel Assistance, General Relief, and Title IVE Foster Care.